House Resolution No.

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in order to recognize an outstanding Missourian; and

Whereas, Verda Kurtz of Forest City, Missouri, retired from her position as Postmaster of the Forest City Post Office on April 2, 2004, following a successful thirty-year career with the United States Postal Service: and

Whereas, Verda Kurtz worked with Postmaster Allen Buetzer prior to assuming his responsibilities a quarter century ago, at which time first class stamps were only ten cents and Dale Book was the rural mail carrier of the Forest City office; and

Whereas, Verda Kurtz served as state editor of the Postmaster Newspaper for ten years and as the area's postmaster trainer for fifteen years; and

Whereas, Verda Kurtz sits on the board of <u>Young at Heart</u>, a publication of the St. Joseph News-Press, volunteers to help low-income and senior citizens with their taxes, serves as assistant organist and member of the Altar Society at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, and enjoys membership in the Oregon Kiwanis Club and the National League of Postmasters, and

Whereas, Verda Kurtz will undoubtedly look back over the past several years and reminisce about her many worthwhile experiences and her special relationships with revered colleagues while basking in the glow of a successful career now reaching its end; and

Whereas, Verda Kurtz has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Nelson Kurtz; five children; and numerous grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join with the citizens of Forest City in expressing our most sincere appreciation to Verda Kurtz for her thirty years of unparalleled service and in wishing her the long, enjoyable, and fruitful retirement she so richly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Verda Kurtz, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and
correct copy of House Resolution No, adopted
, 2004.